

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following amended paragraph after the Title and before the first paragraph:

CROSSREFERENCE TO OTHER APPLICATIONS

~~This application is a National Phase Application of International Application No. PCT/EP2003/007776, filed July 17, 2003, which claims priority from German Patent Application No. 102 32 423.9, filed July 17, 2002.~~ The present application is a continuation of German Patent Application No. 102 32 423.9, filed July 17, 2002.